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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 09 March 2008.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-41 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-41 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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Detailed Action

This action is in response to the application filed on 3/9/2008.

Examiner Note:

There are claims filled on 3/9/2008 which the office has filled as "CLM" – claims. However, the document is 11 pages and has claims listed from 1-31 and printed on the top "WO 2005/076523" on the left and "PCT/SG2005/000026" on the right top of the page. The examiner believes this was miss labeled and should be "NPL" or non patent literature. Therefore, the examiner will review the claims on 8/1/2006 of 14 pages and claims 1- 41.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 101

35 U.S.C. 101 reads as follows:

Whoever invents or discovers any new and useful process, machine, manufacture, or composition of matter, or any new and useful improvement thereof, may obtain a patent therefor, subject to the conditions and requirements of this title.

In order for a method to be considered a "process" under §101, a claimed process must either: (1) be tied to another statutory class (such as a particular apparatus) or (2) transform underlying subject matter (such as an article or materials). *Diamond v. Diehr*, 450 U.S. 175, 184 (1981); *Parker v. Flook*, 437 U.S. 584, 588 n.9 (1978); *Gottschalk v. Benson*, 409 U.S. 63, 70 (1972).

Claims 17-20 & 36-37 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 101 because the claimed invention is directed to non-statutory subject matter.

“authenticating party” is direct to a human and not patentable subject matter.

Examiner recommends rewriting the claims as an apparatus.

Claims 29-35 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 101 because the claimed invention is directed to non-statutory subject matter.

“a user” “authenticating party” “a mobile phone carrier” (is for example Verizon not Verizon’s network) is directed to a human and not patentable subject matter.

Examiner recommends rewriting the claims as the apparatus.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negated by the manner in which the invention was made.

Claims listed below in this section are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Hogg (U.S. Patent 7,702,581) in view of Bayne (U.S. Patent Publication 2005/0113073) in further view of Halpin (US Publication 2003/0159068)

Re claims 1 & 3 & 13 & 15 & 17 & 19 & 21 & 23 & 25 & 27 & 29 & 30 & 36 & 37 & 38 & 39 & 40 & 41: Hogg discloses:

A method & system & user application, comprising:

(means for) Identifying the user through user data information including a communication identifier associated with a mobile phone entered at new mobile phone, said user data being recorded in a database connected with said web page (see Hogg, Figure 1-4, item 12);

(means for) Generating and sending/communicating a unique passkey to a new/second communication identifier associated with a new mobile phone of the user (see Hogg, Figure 1-4, item 4 the passkey is the “4567” or “reference number” see column 18);

(means for) Receiving a passkey entered at the web page or predefined destination (see Hogl, Figure 1-4, item 6 & 8' + column 10 lines 4-42);

(means for) Comparing the generated unique passkey with the passkey included in the communication message (see Hogl, Figure 1-3, item 3 + Figure 4, item 18-22);

(means for) Authenticating the identity of user in accordance with the results of a comparison between the passkey entered at the web page or predefined destination and the generated unique passkey; and (see Hogl, Figure 1-3, item 3 + Figure 4, item 18-22);

Authorizing payment on successful authentication of the identity of said user. (see Hogl, Figure 1-3, item 3 + Figure 4, item 18-22);

Although Hogl is about payment rather than specifically transferring credit to a phone, Bayne claims "Transfer credit to a phone" specifically:

Authorizing transfer of the credit on successful authentication of the identity of said user (see Bayne, abstract).

If authenticated, authorizing the mobile phone carrier who operates the telecommunications network used by the mobile phone or SIM card and the new mobile phone to add the amount of credit associated with the mobile phone or SIM card to the credit associated with the new mobile phone (see Bayne, abstract + Figure 3a, item 306).

Therefore it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to modify Hogl by adapting transfer credit to a phone of Bayne.

It is clear that one would be motivated to combine prior art elements according to known methods to yield predictable results.

Although Hogl in view of Bayne does not have using web site by both users, Halpin claims “Using web site by both users”

(means for) Identifying the user through user data information including a communication identifier associated with a mobile phone entered at a web page or new mobile phone, said user data being recorded in a database connected with said web page(see Hogl, Figure 1-4, item 12);

Therefore it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to modify Hogl in view of Bayne by adapting using web site by both users of Halpin.

It is clear that one would be motivated to utilize all means of communication throughout the process.

Re claim 2 & 4 & 14 & 16 & 18 & 20 & 22 & 24 & 26 & 28:

After authenticating the identity of said user, the step of updating said user data to include said new communication identifier (see Hogl, Figure 1-3, item 3 + Figure 4, item 18-22);

Re claim 5: see claim 1 + see Hogl Figure 1-4, item 1

Re claim 6: see claim 1 + see Hogl column 11 lines 61-67

Re claim 7: see claim 1 + see Hogl column 10 lines 4-42

Re claim 8: see claim 1 + see Hogl column 10 lines 4-42

Re claim 9: see claim 1 + see Hogl Figure 1-4, item 8

Re claim 10: see claim 1 + see Hogl column 11 lines 61-67

Re claim 11: see claim 1 + see H01 column 11 lines 61-67

Re claim 12: see claim 1 + see H01 column 11 lines 61-67

Re claim 31: see claim 1 + see H01 Figure 1-4, item 1

Re claim 32: see claim 1 + see H01 column 10 lines 4-42

Re claim 33: see claim 1 + see H01 Figure 1-3, item 3 + Figure 4, item 18-22

Re claim 34: see claim 1 + see H01 column 10 lines 4-42

Re claim 35: see claim 1 + see H01 column 11 lines 61-67

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The examiner believes this application reads on multiple prior art references for the sake of compact prosecution the examiner has provided an prior art and full rationale.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negated by the manner in which the invention was made.

Claims listed below in this section are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Linlor (U.S. Patent Pub 2005/0199709) in view of Bayne (U.S. Patent Publication 2005/0113073) in further view of Ueshima. (US Patent 6/731,731)

Re claims 1 & 3 & 13 & 15 & 17 & 19 & 21 & 23 & 25 & 27 & 29 & 30 & 36 & 37 & 38 & 39 & 40 & 41: Linlor discloses:

A method & system & user application, comprising:

(means for) Identifying the user through user data information including a communication identifier associated with a mobile phone entered at web site or new mobile phone, said user data being recorded in a database connected with said web page(see Linlor, Figure 3,item 330);

(means for) Generating and sending/communicating a unique passkey to a new/second communication identifier associated with a new mobile phone of the user (see Linlor, Figure 3, item 360)

(means for) Receiving a passkey entered at the web page or predefined destination (see Linlor, Figure 3, item 360)

(means for) Comparing the generated unique passkey with the passkey included in the communication message (see Linlor, Figure 3, item 370)

(means for) Authenticating the identity of user in accordance with the results of a comparison between the passkey entered at the web page or predefined destination and the generated unique passkey; and (see Linlor, Figure 3, item 360)

Authorizing payment on successful authentication of the identity of said user (see Linlor, Figure 3, item 360)

Although Linlor is about payment to a merchant rather than specifically transferring credit to a new phone/user, Bayne claims “Transfer credit to a phone” specifically:

Authorizing transfer of the credit on successful authentication of the identity of said user (see Bayne, abstract).

If authenticated, authorizing the mobile phone carrier who operates the telecommunications network used by the mobile phone or SIM card and the new mobile phone to add the amount of credit associated with the mobile phone or SIM card to the credit associated with the new mobile phone (see Bayne, abstract + Figure 3a, item 306).

Therefore it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to modify Linlor by adapting transfer credit to a phone of Bayne.

It is clear that one would be motivated to combine prior art elements according to known methods to yield predictable results.

Although Linlor in view of Bayne does not have using cell phone by both users, Ueshima claims "Using cell phone" (see figure 1, item 111)

(means for) Identifying the user through user data information including a communication identifier associated with a mobile phone entered at a web page or new mobile phone, said user data being recorded in a database connected with said web page (see figure 1, item 111)

Therefore it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to modify Linlor in view of Bayne by adapting using cell phone of Ueshima.

It is clear that one would be motivated to utilize all means of communication throughout the process.

Re claim 2 & 4 & 14 & 16 & 18 & 20 & 22 & 24 & 26 & 28:

After authenticating the identity of said user, the step of updating said user data to include said new communication identifier (see Linlor, Figure 1-3, item 3 + Figure 4, item 18-22);

Re claim 5: see claim 1 + see Linlor Figure 1, item 120

Re claim 6: see claim 1 + see Linlor Figure 1, item 110

Re claim 7: see claim 1 + see Ueshima, Figure 1

Re claim 8: see claim 1 + see Ueshima, Figure 1

Re claim 9: see claim 1 + see Linlor Figure 2A, item 240

Re claim 10: see claim 1 + see Linlor Figure 2A, item 240

Re claim 11: see claim 1 + see Linlor Figure 2A, item 240

Re claim 12: see claim 1 + see Linlor Figure 2A, item 240

Re claim 31: see claim 1 + see Ueshima, Figure 1

Re claim 32: see claim 1 + see Ueshima, Figure 1

Re claim 33: see claim 1 + see Linlor Figure 1-3, item 3 + Figure 4, item 18-22

Re claim 34: see claim 1 + see Bayne, abstract + Figure 3a, item 306

Re claim 35: see claim 1 + see Linlor Figure 2A, item 240

Contact Information

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Kirsten S. Apple whose telephone number is 571.272.5588. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday - Friday 9:00-5:30.

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